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July 15, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
MINDORA DRAIN
CITY OF TORRANCE
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract in the City of Torrance.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amount and the changes for the following construction contract:

- Project ID No. FCC0000789 - Mindora Drain, to construct a storm drain, City of Torrance (4), Mladen Grbavac Construction, for variations in bid quantities, mobilization for slurry sealing, additional curb and gutter, and placing asphalt at cross gutters, with an increase in the contract amount of \$13,502.94.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval for the changes in public works contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the attachment.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Attached for your authorization are changes in work in excess of my delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amount for this contract is \$13,502.94.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for the project to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the attachment.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the attachment do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the attachment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,


DEAN D. EFSTATHIOU
Acting Director of Public Works

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Attachment

c: County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
July 15, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000789 - MINDORA DRAIN (City of Torrance),
Supervisory District 4, Contractor: Mladen Grbavac Construction

Project Description:

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain, drainage structures, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$ 5,000.00
(2) Mobilization for Slurry Sealing	1,927.94
(3) Curb and Gutter	2,775.00
(4) Asphalt at Cross Gutters	<u>3,800.00</u>
Total	<u>\$13,502.94</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The City of Torrance (City) requested that the contractor postpone slurry sealing of the streets to allow the City to perform roadway repairs. The contractor will be compensated for work performed prior to notification by the City.

(3) Your Board previously approved a change in work to remove and replace additional areas of damaged curb and gutter to properly construct the adjacent catch basins. The cost of this work will exceed the estimate by the amount shown.

(4) The contractor will be compensated for placing permanent hot-mix asphalt at the cross gutter crossings until this portion of cross gutters can be replaced with concrete. The work is needed in order to provide a smooth driving surface for motorists.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2, 3, and 4 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Funding Information:

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,285,995.00
Changes in work previously approved by your Board	199,245.16
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>13,502.94</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,498,743.10</u>

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